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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on ~~May 29, 2000~~, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/534,204
Confirmation Number	2972
Filing Date	March 24, 2000
First Named Inventor	Shinji IMAI
Group Art Unit	2878
Examiner Name	Shun Lee
Matter Number	Q56555
Title	IMAGE READ-OUT METHOD AND SYSTEM, SOLID IMAGE SENSOR, AND IMAGE DETECTING SHEET

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
  - iv.  Petition for Extension of Time
  - v.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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Shinji IMAI, et al.

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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